UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Fors et al. GROUP ART UNIT: 2139

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TITLE: Upper Layer Security Based on Lower Layer Keying

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed August 11, 2008 concerning the above-identified application. This reply is provided in response to the Office Action in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.111. Applicant submits the following remarks and respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider the rejections made in the Office Action and to allow the claims to issue.